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- A return postcard.
- A Communication Concerning Related Applications (1 pg.).
- An Information Disclosure Statement (2 pgs.), Form 1449 (2 pgs.), Issued US Patent Documents 6,304,786B1 and 6,584,363B2.
- The remaining documents on Form 1449 were cited in Parent Application, Serial No. 09/906,571.

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COMMUNICATION CONCERNING RELATED APPLICATION(S)

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Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following related application(s) in the above-identified patent application:

<u>Serial/Patent No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Attorney Docket</u>	<u>Title</u>
09/280096 6,304,786	March 29, 1999	279.133US1	IMPLANTABLE LEAD WITH DISSOLVABLE COATING FOR IMPROVED FIXATION AND EXTRACTION
09/906571 6,584,363	July 16, 2001	279.133US2	IMPLANTABLE LEAD WITH DISSOLVABLE COATING FOR IMPROVED FIXATION AND EXTRACTION

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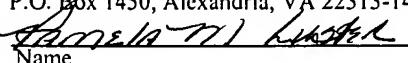
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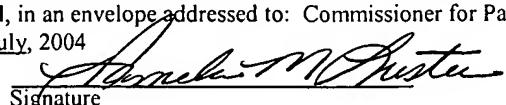
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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicants request that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicants with the next official communication.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), it is believed that no fee or statement is required with the Information Disclosure Statement. However, if an Office Action on the merits has been mailed, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in order to have this Information Disclosure Statement considered.

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Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed two issued US Patent Documents 6,304,786B1 and 6,584,363B2 in related patent applications for the above-identified patent application.

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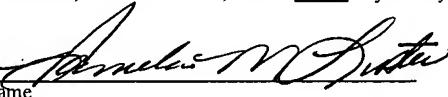
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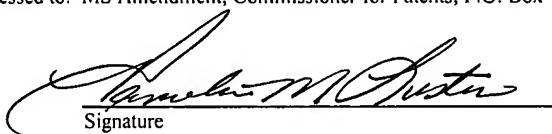
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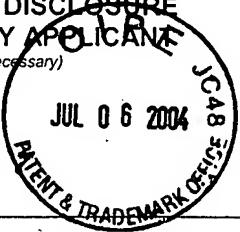
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